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IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re Application of:

**Heike PAHL et al.**

Examiner: BUNNER, Bridget E.

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Group Art Unit: **1647**

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Title: **GENE PRV-1 AND ITS USE**

**REPLY**

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Sir:

In response to the Office Action mailed on July 25, 2006, please amend the claims as follows and consider the remarks.

**Amendments to the Claims** are reflected in the listing of claims which begins on page 2 of this paper.

**Remarks/Arguments** begin on page 6 of this paper.